



### **Seasonal Environmental Educator, School Programs**

The Schuylkill Center for Environmental Education, a leading environmental education provider for the Philadelphia region, seeks a passionate and energetic naturalist/educator to engage students and the public in meaningful and innovative learning experiences in nature. This position is part-time with flexible hours. Educators can work anywhere from 10-25 hours per week. Position reports to the Manager of School Programs.

### **Position Summary**

The Seasonal Environmental Educator primarily staffs school programs, which includes school field trips (both in-person and virtual) and outreach programs (both during school hours and after school). The Seasonal Environmental Educator may also staff other programs and special events as needed. Most programs take place during the morning; however, other opportunities for afternoon and weekend hours will be available as needed.

### **Essential Duties and Responsibilities**

- Educator for school field trips and outreach programs, both in-person and virtual, year-round. Assist with other school programs as needed.
- Duties in addition to teaching include: prepping for programs, putting away materials after program is over, and supervising students on trails
- Staff other school and public programs as needed (day-off camps, festivals and events), including some evening and weekend events.
- Assist with maintenance and storage of education materials and resources.
- Assist with program evaluations and assessments as needed.

### **Expected Competencies**

- A strong background in biology, natural resources, education, environmental/science education, interpretation or related fields is preferred.
- 1-2 years work experience in education or life experience related to one or more of the following topics: outdoor activities, environmental studies, biology, and education.
- Demonstrated success at teaching outdoor activities, environmental studies, or biology to school-aged children; teaching experience in an outdoor setting is preferred.
- Ability to hike 2 or more miles each day at a pace that keeps up with children.
- Must be respectful and work well with a variety of people regardless of race, religion, gender expression, sexual orientation, nationality, socioeconomic status, or ability.
- Demonstrated effective written and verbal communications, and human relations skills.

### **Physical Demands/Work Environment**

The physical demands and work environment characteristics described are representative of those that must be met by an employee to successfully perform the essential functions of this job. Reasonable accommodations may be made to enable individuals with disabilities to perform the essential functions.

During most of the year, the Seasonal Environmental Educator spends the better part of her/his day outdoors. The employee must be able to:

- Spend multiple hours outdoors in all weather (heat, cold, rain, snow)
- Hike 2 or more miles a day on rough terrain, keeping pace with the children in their care
- Engage in sustained physical activity throughout the day
- Lift up to 50 pounds (size of a small child)
- Hear children that might be out of direct sight-line
- Have 20:20 vision (with corrective lenses) to provide oversight during outdoor play

### **Background Clearances**

Finalists are responsible for providing a valid Pennsylvania Child Abuse clearance, state criminal background check, FBI criminal background check, and other background checks that the Schuylkill Center requires based on the applicant's state residency.

### **Compensation**

This position has a starting rate of \$15/hr.

### **To Apply**

Please send both a resume and cover letter to Aaliyah Green Ross, Director of Education, at [aaliyah@schuylkillcenter.org](mailto:aaliyah@schuylkillcenter.org). Apply by Friday, July 29, 2022.

*The Schuylkill Center is an Equal Opportunity employer and values a racially, ethnically, and culturally diverse work community. We strongly encourage applications from people of all backgrounds.*